

Minutes of November 26, 1918.

The Board of Public Works met at the office of the Governor in the City of Baltimore, on November 26, 1918.

Present: Governor Emerson C. Harrington.  
Comptroller Hugh A. McMullen.  
Treasurer William P. Jackson.

The minutes of September 26, 1918, were read and approved.

A letter from the Comptroller's Office to the Governor relating to a bill of King Brothers, State Printers, for a balance due them amounting to \$895.75, with a request that the Board approve the same for payment, was read.

Moved, seconded and carried that the balance due King Brothers amounting to \$895.75 be paid and charged to the Contingent fund of the Board of Public Works for the fiscal year 1918.

The Board's attention was called to the question of repairs to the Ice Boat Annapolis. After a lengthy discussion the fact was made known that the United States Government was not interested in the boat, and, therefore, would not desire to give it any attention. It was suggested that the State make an appropriation at the next meeting of the Legislature if the repairs were deemed absolutely necessary. Baltimore City is under the impression that the Latrobe will take care of their needs in and about the harbor of Baltimore.

A letter was read from Land Commissioner James S. Shepherd, relating to large steen file cases now in his office. Mr. Shepherd suggests that these cases, which were heretofore used by the State Tax Commissioner, be sold and new cases purchased for the Land Office.

After due consideration it was ordered that Mr. McMullen be supplied with the necessary data and make a personal investigation as to the advisability of securing new cases.

A letter from J. Ramsay Barry and Company, Incorporated, relating to additional premiums on State insurance, was presented to the Board together with bill for same amounting to \$55.00.

Upon motion, duly seconded and carried, the Secretary of State was directed to verify the correctness of this bill and report to the next meeting of the Board.

The State Treasurer presented a letter and bill amounting to \$1.555.40 from E. J. Richardson & Sons, for insurance renewals of the State House at Annapolis and the Tuberculosis Sanatorium at Sabillasville, the bill's itemization being as follows:

Nov. 11. 105743	Pennsylvania,	Tuberculosis		
		Sanatorium,	\$7000.	200.20
	571422	Fire Association,	do	7000.. 200.20
Nov. 22. 571421	" "	State House	30000.	330.00
	61867	Palatine,	do	25000. 275.00
	41653	Phoenix,	do	20000. 220.00
	589576	St. Paul,	do	15000. 165.00
	105744	Pennsylvania,	do	10000. 110.00
	672974	Central,	do	5000. 55.00
				<u>\$1.555.40</u>

Upon motion duly seconded and unanimously carried the above bill was ordered paid from the appropriation to the Board of Public Works for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1919, item 10, Budget Bill.

The State Treasurer presented a letter and bill from Boyd & Reinhart, the bill amounting to \$138.00 and being for insurance on State Normal School No. 2 for five years from October 6, 1918, with the request that the Board order it paid.

The Board unanimously "Ordered, that the bill of Boyd A. Reinhart for \$138.00 as above described, be paid from the appropriation for the Board of Public Works for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1919, item 10, Budget Bill".

The Board ordered paid the bill of the Baltimore National Towel Supply Co, \$2.75, for furnishing towels to Baltimore office for the month of September, 1918, from the appropriation for the Contingent fund of the Board for the fiscal year 1918.

The Board unanimously passed the following order:

Ordered, that the amounts listed below for rent of state offices, and for towell service in the Baltimore Office, be paid monthly by the Comptroller from the proper Budget appropriation to the Board of Public Works and upon the monthly certification of the same by the Secretary of State, for one year from October 1st, 1918:

From item 6, for State Offices in Baltimore:

	Monthly	Annual
State Auditor,	62.50	750.00
Banking Commissioner,	116.67	1.400.00
Board of State Aid & Charities,	58.34	700.00
Board of Public Works,	116.67	1.400.00
Advisory Board of Parole,	59.17	710.00
Automobile Commissioner,	247.50	2.970.00
State Board of Health,	125.00	1.500.00
Commissioners of Plumbing,	41.66	500.00

From item 7, Contingent Fund:

Towel Service in Baltimore Office,	2.75	32.00
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The State Board of Prison Control laid before the Board a letter relating to the deficit at the Maryland Penitentiary, amounting to \$38.905.91, with the notification to the Board that it had made notes for a part of this amount, and asked the approval of the Board authorizing their notes already made and for sufficient to cover the balance of the deficit.

Ordered by the Board that the State Board of Prison Control be authorized to make notes to cover the entire amount of the deficit, to-wit: \$38.905.91.

A letter was presented to the Board by the State Treasurer, relating to the Interdepartmental Social Hygiene Board of Washington. The State Treasurer informed the Board that he was in receipt from the U. S. Government of ~~th~~ a check for \$14.000.00, for the treatment of venereal diseases and asked the Board for a ruling on what disposition of the same should be made by him. (Health)

The treasurer was asked to take the matter up with the Attorney General and advise the Board at its next meeting.

The Board read a letter from the State Board of Prison Control to the State Treasurer relating to the completion of the garage at the House of Correction and asking the Board to make proper provision for the insurance thereon.

Ordered, that the State Treasurer negotiate the insurance on the House of Correction garage.

Mr. McMullen reported to the Board that as the State Auditor and his assistants had performed their duties with care and efficiency and as the time had arrived for the appointment of their successors, they should be re-appointed.

On motion duly seconded and carried, the Board made the following appointments and asked the Governor to issue commissions in accordance with this order:

To be State Auditor for a term of 2 years,

J. Enos Ray, Chillum, Prince George's County.

To be Assistant State Auditors, for a term of 2 years:

William A. Gillispie, 1st Ass't, Baltimore City.

Thomas A. Murray, 2nd, Ass't, Elkton, Maryland.

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Mr McMullen brought to the attention of the Board the matter of the deficiency existing in the payment of the bill of Dulany-Vernay Company for State Stationary for 1918.

On motion, duly seconded and carried, this deficiency was ordered paid from the Contingent Fund of the Board for the 1918 fiscal year, and the Secretary was directed to so certify the same to the Comptroller.

As there was no further business before the Board, upon motion duly seconded and carried, the Board adjourned.

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Secretary to the Board.